Esther Ann Ashton Powell Biography from the Lehi Centennial History

Ester Ann Ashton Powell, the wife of Thaddeus Powell, -and the third child of Thomas and Arminta Lawrence Ashton, was born February 17, 1856, in Lehi, Utah. In her early life, during the hard times, she carded wool and spun yarn which her mother wove into cloth for the family which in those days was clothed in homespun and glad to get it.

Her education was limited, as there were no free schools. Her father would teach his children what he could in the evenings. However, in spite of these handicaps, Mrs. Powell grew up to be a capable and useful woman. She is one that is ever trying to do her full duty as a wife, mother, and member of the community.